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Great and thanks!

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Hi colleagues,

Late today, a draft "Climate Science Special Report" was released under auspices of USGCRP for a 45-day public comment period. The Report has simultaneously been delivered to the National Academy of Sciences for expert peer review.

This Report updates the state of knowledge on climate change science since the last congressionally mandated National Climate Assessment was published in 2014. The plan is to finalize this Report in late 2017. It also serves the purpose of providing the scientific foundation for the next National Climate Assessment, planned for publication in late 2018 (in keeping with the congressional mandate).

It was authored by a team of Federal and non-Federal scientists. OSTP signed off on its release today. Tomorrow an OSTP blog will be published. A federal register notice (published by NOAA, as lead administrative agency for the Report) also announced its release for public comment.

The Report contains 15 chapters covering observed and projected climate changes under different scenarios, the role of human influence, and an updated understanding of

extreme climate events. The primary focus is climate change in the United States.

More details and links below...

-Ben

CSSR PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The public review formally launched with publication of a Federal Register Notice by NOAA on 15 December 2016 (<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/12/15/2016-30102/notice-of-availability-of-draft-scientific-assessment-for-public-comment>); unfortunately, the steering committee/OSTP Signoff had not fully run its course. As such, the end date has been extended until **11:59 p.m. ET, 3 February 2017**, to ensure a full 45 days for the review. If colleagues should inquire, the CSSR Public Comment Period now runs from 15 December 2016 - 3 February 2017.

More information can be found at the USGCRP Open Notices page (<http://www.globalchange.gov/notices>) and direct access to the Report for review at: <https://review.globalchange.gov/>. Let Tess Carter Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy (USGCRP) know if you experience any technical difficulties.

ACADEMIES REVIEW

The Academies Review runs from 21 December 2016 - 28 February 2017, launched earlier this afternoon. An Entrance Briefing was conducted on 8 December 2016. The NAS panel consists of 11 leading climate science experts (<https://www8.nationalacademies.org/cp/CommitteeView.aspx?key=49824>). At close of the review, NAS will issue a report and USGCRP leadership, in coordination with the CSSR authors, will issue a memo indicating how key comments/concerns will be taken into account in the fourth-order draft (i.e., no comments annotation required).